



**Saddleback**  
**COMMUNICATIONS**

A Division of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community

September 23, 2008

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: CC Docket No. 96-45  
Saddleback Communications  
Supplemental Data as Required by 47 C.F.R. § 54.202

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Transmitted herewith is the Annual Use Certification for Saddleback Communications, and the Supplemental Data as required by 47 C.F.R. § 54.202. Saddleback is an incumbent local exchange carrier which serves the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community in Arizona. It has been designated as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act since 1998. As a tribally-owned telecommunications company, it is not subject to the jurisdiction of the Arizona Corporation Commission.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Bill Bryant  
President/General Manager

Enclosure

cc:USAC

## AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF ARIZONA	§	
	§	CC Docket No. 96-45
SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA	§	
INDIAN COMMUNITY	§	

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Bill Bryant of Saddleback Communications ("the Company"), who on his oath deposed and said:


1. My name is Bill Bryant. I am employed by Saddleback Communications (Study Area No. 457991) in the position of President/General Manager. In this position, I am personally familiar with all Federal Universal Service support received by the Company and how these funds are used by the Company.
2. Saddleback Communications was designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier by the Federal Communications Commission in CC Docket No. 96-45, DA 98-223 by order dated November 4, 1998.
3. Saddleback Communications hereby certifies that all federal high cost support received will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with Section 254(e) of the Communications Act.
4. As a tribally owned telecommunications company, Saddleback Communications is not subject to jurisdiction by the Arizona Corporation Commission.
5. I have reviewed the information contained in the document captioned "CC Docket No. 96-45 Supplemental Data as Required by Section 54.202 of the Commission's Rules" to which this Affidavit is attached. All information in that document was

prepared by me or by persons under my immediate supervision. All information contained therein is true and correct based upon knowledge and belief.

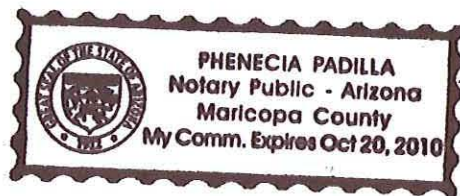
6. The matters addressed above are within my personal knowledge and are true and correct.

  
Bill Bryant

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this the 23 day of September, 2008.

  
Notary Public  
State of Arizona

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**Saddleback Communications**  
**A division of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community**

CC Docket No. 96-45

Supplemental Data as Required by Section 54.202 of the Commission's Rules

Saddleback Communications is an incumbent local exchange carrier which serves the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, a Federally recognized Indian Tribe, in Arizona.

**1.) Five-Year Plan demonstrating how high-cost universal service support will be used to improve Saddleback Communication's coverage, service quality or capacity.**

In 2007, Saddleback received a total of \$3,077,417 Universal Service Support.

**Universal Service Support Received in 2007**

LSS	\$599,208
ICLS	\$926,520
HCLF	\$1,518,178
Safety Net	\$8,795
Lifeline	\$24,716

In 2007, Saddleback invested \$1,888,409 in capital improvements, and had a Plant Under Construction balance of \$437,124 at December 31, 2007.

**2007 Actual Capital Expenditures**

<b>Telco Plant in Service Additions</b>	
Total Cable & Wire Plant	\$ 393,200
Total Central Office/Circuit Equip	\$ 1,229,802
Buildings and Land	\$ 107,676
Other Support Assets(vehicles, office and other work equipment, office equipment	\$ 157,731
<b>Grand Total Plant Additions</b>	<b>\$ 1,888,409</b>

Major improvements completed in 2007: Added additional cable and wire facilities and access nodes for 3 new developments; Completed installation of a soft switch; Replaced old cable and wire facilities.

Proposed major five-year improvements will rehab old wire and cable facilities, bury aerial fiber cable that can be easily damaged by storms, add a remote switch to better service the area and



create redundancy, create redundant fiber paths, replace old access nodes that are no longer supported, and provide service to new areas being developed.

### **Five-Year Projected Capital Expenditures**

<b>Telco Plant in Service</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>
Total Cable & Wire Plant	\$ 450,000	\$ 1,599,000	\$ 1,181,000	\$ 921,000	\$ 1,025,000
Total Central Office/Circuit Equip	\$ 1,986,000	\$ 1,355,000	\$ 755,000	\$ 574,000	\$ 710,000
Buildings and Land	\$ 24,000	\$ 435,000	\$ 85,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
Other Support Assets(vehicles, office and other work equipment, office equipment	\$ 133,000	\$ 142,000	\$ 95,000	\$ 245,000	\$ 230,000
<b>Grand Total Plant Additions</b>	<b>\$ 2,593,000</b>	<b>\$ 3,531,000</b>	<b>\$ 2,116,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,760,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,985,000</b>

**Total Five-Year Projected Capital Expenditures: \$11,985,000**

Proposed major five-year improvements and estimated start and completion dates:

<b>Description</b>	<b>Est. Start Date</b>	<b>Est. Completion Date</b>
Install new soft switch in CO	Feb. 2008	Oct. 2008
Bury Alma School Aerial Fiber	May 2008	Sept. 2008
Bury McKellips Aerial Fiber	Jan. 2009	May 2009
Thomas Road Rehab	April 2008	Aug. 2008
Extension Road Rehab	Feb 2009	May 2009
Indian School Rd. Rehab	May 2009	Nov 2009
New remote soft switch installation and CEV	May 2008	Feb. 2009
Cisco Optical Network installation	Mar. 2008	May 2008
Replace 11 Old Access Nodes	Nov. 2008	Jan. 2012
New CO Fiber Ring	Mar. 2009	May 2009
New A Ring	Nov. 2008	Feb. 2009
Cable and Electronics into new Developments	Oct. 2008	Nov. 2011
Cable and Electronics at Section 12 (new development)	Feb 2009	June 2012

## **2.) Outages**

During the previous 12 month period, Saddleback did not have any outages that lasted at least 30 minutes in duration that affected at least ten percent of the users served in the area, or that potentially affected a 911 special facility.

**3.) Request for Service**

There were no requests for service from potential customer within the service area that were unfulfilled during the past year.

**4.) Complaints**

During the previous 12 month period Saddleback received one complaint. This would be an average of 0.28 complaints per 1,000 lines from customers.

**5.) Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules**

Saddleback Communications will comply with all applicable consumer protection laws and industry standards, including those set forth by industry associations such as the U.S. Telecom Association.

**6.) Function in Emergency Situations**

Saddleback Communications can remain functional in emergency situations because of:

- Batteries and UPS (Uninterrupted Power Supplies)
- Three 250KW Onan generators
- FM200 fire suppression system
- Redundant fiber paths
- OC48 ring technology

**7.) Local Usage Plan**

Saddleback is the incumbent LEC in the service area.

**8.) Provide Equal Access to Long Distance Carriers**

Saddleback is the incumbent LEC and offers equal access to long distance providers.